

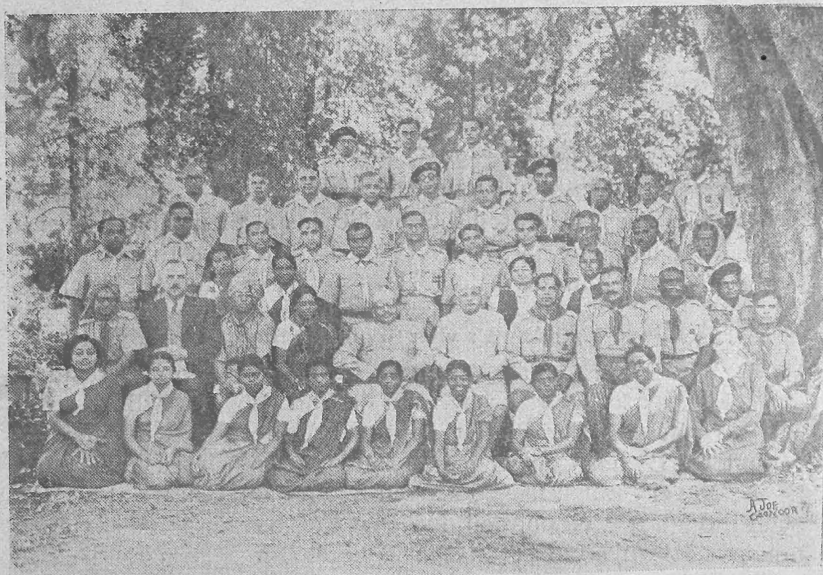
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COMMISSIONERS TRAINING COURSE—STANLEY PARK
TRAINING CENTRE, COONOR, 4TH TO 10TH MAY '53.



His Excellency, the Governor of Madras,
Sri Sri Prakasa addressed the campers on 10-5-53.

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OURSELVES.

The presence of our National Commissioner Dr. Hridaynath Kunzru in Madras in connection with the meeting of Council of World Affairs, was taken advantage of to call for a Conference of Scout and Guide leaders at "Wenlock Park" at which Dr. Kunzru addressed. Our Chief Commissioner was "ATHOME" to the Officers and welcomed Dr. Kunzru. In doing so he gave a review of the work done by the State Association. Mrs. M. N. Clubwala mentioned the happy manner in which the two sections were functioning as one organisation.

Dr. Kunzru congratulated the State Association on its successful work and requested the State Association to take part in All India functions arranged by the National Headquarters from time to time. As he put it "Madras should be in the main stream of Scouting and Guiding in this country."

The meeting terminated after Miss G.R. Samuel thanked Dr. Kunzru and the singing of Janaganamana.

Dr. Kunzru also visited the Sea Scouts at their Shore Headquarters the next day and was very pleased to learn that we have a strong Sea Scout unit working. His speech is published elsewhere.

Mr R. K. Sidhwa's visit to our Headquarters

Mr. R. K. Sidhwa the Ex-Mayor of Karachi and former President of the Hindustan Scout Association in Sind Province who happened to be here in Madras last week in connection with the All India local Bodies Conference informed us from Raj Bhavan that he would very much like to see our Scouts and Guides at a Rally even though it was pointed out that the boys are having their holidays after the closing of the Schools for summer. But he would still want to see some of these Scouts and Guides remaining in Madras and who could be contacted at short notice and so we did hold a Rally of Scouts and Guides with the active help of Major K. Raghavachari and Mr. M. D. Janardhanam, District Commissioners of South and East Madras. At the Rally, nearly 300 Scouts and Guides were present on 28th April 1953. Mr.

Sidhwa was received by Mr. T. R. Kothandarama Mudaliar, Assistant State Commissioner and taken round to see the various groups. After review, he unfurled the Flag and addressed the gathering on "Service". He was welcomed earlier by the State Secretary. Mr. Sidhwa was very pleased to see a good number of Scouts and Guides at the Rally called at a moment's notice. He was happy to learn that Madras was doing well, after the merger, and that in many respects going forward and expressed his appreciation of good work done here.

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Another matter of importance is the Conference held with Mr. Narasimham, the Commissioner of the Hindu Religious and charitable Endowments with regard to important festival service, associated with temples of which there are twentyfive thousand, in the State. The Commissioner has promised to provide facilities such as boarding and lodging and transport to enable a large number of Scouts and Guides to render service during the period of festivals.

EDITOR.

Kanchi Local Association.

A Public meeting was held at Kancheepuram on 25-4-53 in the Municipal Hall for the formation of a Local Association for the Taluk. Sri K. S. Munuswamy Mudaliar, Zamindar, presided. Dr. C. S. V. Rajappa, welcomed the gathering. Sri R. Messiah Dass, District Commissioner addressed the gathering and emphasised the need for a Local Association and appealed to the citizens for greater support. The following office bearers were elected.

President :—Sri K. S. Munuswamy Mudaliar.

Vice-President :—Dr. C. S. V. Rajappa.

Chairman of the Executive Committee: Sri Seetharam Mudaliar

Secretary .—Sri C. Pakkiriswamy.

Treasurer :—Sri V. Mohan.

Mr. Sidhwa's Advice to Scouts.

Addressing a rally of Bharat Scouts and Guides at Wenlock Park, Triplicane, Mr. R. K. Sidhwa said that the people of the country placed great hopes in the Boys Scouts and Girls Guides, because they were trained for serving humanity.

Mr. Sidhwa was received on arrival by Mr. T. R. Kothandrama Mudaliar, Assistant State Commissioner. Major K. Raghavachari, District Commissioner, South Madras supported by Mr. M. D. Janardhanam, District Commissioner, East Madras were in charge of the Rally. Miss L. Vedanayakam, District Commissioner (Guides) West Madras were in charge of the Guides. He inspected a parade of the Scouts and Guides and unfurled the flag.

Mr. V. S. Ratnasabhpathy, State Secretary, welcoming Mr. Sidhwa, spoke in appreciative terms the services rendered by Mr. Sidhwa in bringing about the unification of the Scout movement in the country and as a result of the merger the movement in the Madras State was in the forefront with a total strength of 53,000 boys and girls. They had also introduced "Cubbing" in the villages.

Mr. Sidhwa said that discipline was the motto of the Scout movement and he was pleased to see its progress in Madras. They should be glad that after merger, they had now one organisation with one voice and one determination. The scouts did not and should not belong to any party. The leaders of the country expected a great future for them, because of their motto of service and discipline. Mr. Sidhwa expressed his delight at the facilities given to the movement by the City Corporation and appreciated the services rendered by the Scouts to the delegates at the Local Bodies Conference.

Mr. Kothandarama Mudaliar proposed a vote of thanks.

With the singing of Jana Gana Mana the meeting terminated.

Progress of Scout Movement

Pandit Hriday Nath Kunzru, in his address, said he regretted that he could not come earlier to Madras State. He was glad to know from the State Chief Commissioner that the movement had made very satisfactory progress here since the merger, and that workers who belonged to different organisations previously were now working together.

Belonging as they all did to the same country, there was no room for differences of ideology now whatever justification there might have been in the past. "We have all to adjust our ideas to the new situation" he said. It was indeed in order to enable them all to work together in the new state of things, that the merger committee took a considerable time—much more time than had been expected—to settle all questions. They were able to do so finally not because of any one member of the committee but because of the desire of all members and in this connection, Pandit Kunzru paid a tribute to Mr. Bose and Mrs. Captain, the Chief Commissioner of the Scouts and Guides Movement respectively.

Proceeding, Pandit Kunzru said that two visitors from England who came to India at the end of October last year had told him that they found the Bharat Scouts and Guides working on the right lines. He was glad to hear that. He then spoke of the Scouters and Guiders Conference held in New Delhi last year. At first there had been some hesitation on the part of the Guides to participate in the Conference, some holding that scouts and guides had different problems to tackle. But on the advice of Mrs. Captain, they came in and he was glad to tell them that as the result of three or four days of joint work, such harmony prevailed in the camp that the Guiders changed their original view and more than one guide told him that the Conference had been a splendid success.

Now, it might seem strange to them that there should have been any difference of opinion about the propriety of a joint conference, but unfortunately the traditions that they had worked in the past had led to the creation of such a difference.

Pandit Kunzru next stressed the need for giving higher training to scouts. The attainment of higher certificates and of merit badges which demonstrated one's proficiency was a sign of the vitality of the movement. Just as one did not want that one should stop with primary education, so also they wanted the scouts should not stop with lower training. He also urged the formation of open scout groups (as distinct from school groups) in order to make the people of a locality realise that the scouts and guides were their own boys and girls who were being taught to render good service both at home and outside their homes. Only then could they get all the support they needed. He had been pressing this point for the last 25 years and he said that the number of such local open troops should be increased.

The National Commissioner then spoke of a quota of one anna to be collected from every scout periodically. They had decided that this should be divided between the Centre and the State and the local groups one pie (quarter anna) to go to the former and the rest to be divided between the latter two. One anna would not be too much even for a poor country like India.

Replying to questions put to him Pandit Kunzru said that badges had to be prepared and supplied by the centre in order to secure uniformity. He then spoke of difficulties that had led to delay in the centre supplying State organisations with badges and said that steps were being taken to improve the position. It was not possible to permit the State organisation to prepare the badges.

Regarding paucity of scout literature he said that their organising Commissioner, Pandit Shri Ram Bajpai had written a number of books in the past 10 years and recently he had revised some of them. The Scouters and Guiders' Conference last year had also made some suggestions. They hoped that progress in the future would be greater than it had been so far. They might also translate some of the standard works but the question of their suitability had to be considered.

In regard to fears expressed that the citizenship subject taught in High Schools, the N. C. C. and other institutions might adversely affect the scout movement, Pandit Kunzru said that schools were revising their curricula with a view to widening the scope of instruction. The scouters should rather rejoice that the schools were doing this. As for the National Cadet Corps, he said the number of students in the Junior Corps of 50,000 and of 25,000 in the Senior was very small. They would be astonished to know that the number of girls in the girls' division was only 420. He understood finance was the limiting factor.

Pandit Kunzru said it had been considered whether it was not possible to have some scheme in order to give such training to all boys in high schools as would make them more disciplined more alert and more self-reliant. With that object in view the Government of India had drawn up a youth movement scheme and circulated it amongst the States.

Scouts might argue that whereas the N. C. C. had not affected them because of its small numbers a universal youth movement might have a superior attraction for boys and girls. "Now I personally do not think so," Pandit Kunzru said "Scouting and Guiding are not a matter of training alone. They are a way of life." To illustrate his point he said that a boy taught mapping in school knew only how to draw a map on paper but if he were asked to do so facing the Himalayas or the Ganges, he would not be able to do it. In this and other ways there was a difference between the training they gave and a general movement which such a youth movement would give.

On the subject of providing more opportunities for scouters and guiders going abroad, Pandit Kunzru said that finance now stood in the

way and the grants given to them by the Government of India were not adequate. They hoped to receive some assistance from the two world organisations of theirs, the World Associations of theirs, the World Association of Girl Guides and the International Bureau. This point would be considered at the meeting of the World Council in Greece in the beginning of May and he hoped Indian needs would be borne in mind at that time.

In conclusion, Pandit Kunzru urged Madras to send its representatives to attend outside conferences. "We should like Madras not merely to do its own work in the right way but also in the main stream of scouting and guiding in this country he concluded.

Miss G. Samuel, Headquarters Commissioner (Guides) proposed a vote of thanks. (*The Hindu*.)

Districts at Work.

Mathurai

The Scout Troop of the Municipal School rendered service in the procession as well as in the evening function conducted in connection with the celebration of the Play Festival by the Local Elementary School Teachers' Association on 9-4-53. The function was presided over by Kumari S. Baghyam B.A., L.T., Inspectress of Girls' Schools V. Circle Mathurai.

South Kanara

Under the leadership of Sri Boloor Srinivasa Rao, ably assisted by Srimans P. R. Rao, Luxman and P. K. Karanth, 20 Scouts belonging to Government Arts College, S. A. College, R. H. School and C. H. School went on a mountainneering Hike to "Kudure Mukh" the highest Peak on the western Ghat. The group, under the name "Joycoy" started on 14-4-53. and returned on 18-4-53. At the foot of the hill, Sri Bomman Projany and at the top of the hill Sri Loco Simons' helped the group a lot. The group expresses its thanks. A very fine spot, very high, and beautiful is the Kuder Mukh, a worthy place to be developed for tourist Industry. Water, Wood, open place, healthy resort is Kuduru Mukh. The old Bungalow, if prepared, and if Mr. Lobo is given sufficient help, this peak could be used as a tourist place.

East Tanjore

The Scouts of the Bharat Scouts and Guides, Nagapattinam, 50 from Negapattinam, and 15 from Mayuram rendered good service at Ellugudi, during the Chitra Pournami festival on the 28th and 29th. 19 lost children were restored to their parents and 15 cases of minor accidents like, cuts, bruises and swooning were treated by our First Aid Squad.

Sri S. Balasubramaniam B.A., L.T., Assistant District Commissioner, Nagapattinam is in charge of the Camp assisted by Sri V. Krishnamurthy B.A., L.T., Secretary.

Value of Scout Movement.

Need for Greater aid from Government.

Pandit Hriday Nath Kunzru, National Commissioner, Bharat Scouts and Guides, called for increased Governmental aid and greater material support from the public to the Scout movement in order that the latter might realise its objectives.

In a talk with a representative of the Hindu, Pandit Kunzru referred to the present position of the unified scout movement in the country. "We are trying to consolidate the position", he said. He added they should "lay at least as much stress on quality as has hitherto been laid on numbers."

Pandit Kunzru explained that the expansion of the Scout movement* was undoubtedly necessary but it "will do little good to the country if the boys and girls who look up to the organisation for training and guidance are merely given instruction which does not touch their hearts or satisfy their needs."

Pandit Kunzru Stated: "In order to bring about greater efficiency it is necessary to have more efficient scout masters and to give scouts and guides adequate opportunities for giving expression to their idealism and their urge for constructive work. Both the public and the State Governments should recognise the high educational value of the Scout and Guide movement and give it such assistance as would make it an effective means for influencing the minds and moulding the character of the younger generation."

Asked about the necessity for fostering the spirit of adventure in the young, Pandit Kunzru said that the whole thing hinged on finance. Recently he said they had a conference, of scouters and guiders at Delhi and that alone cost them Rs. 7,000 !

Camps and other things, Pandit Kunzru stated, meant money although the scouts themselves bore a large share of the expenses in the shape of travelling charges and also minimised expenditure to some extent by cooking their own food. Yet it remained a fact that "camps and excursions which would give an outlet for adventure cost a great deal of money. Unless the Government grant and aid is

increased and the public give greater material support, the full object of the training that is given to the scouts cannot be achieved."

Asked whether the Governmental grants and aids now received were inadequate, the National Commissioner replied in the affirmative.

It was pointed out that no doubt the Governments in the country might point to their own financial difficulties. To this, the National Commissioner observed "Scouting is an integral part of the complete education," and in this connection, Dr. Kunzru said that a few years ago when England was passing through a difficult financial situation calling for drastic cutting down of expenditure, the then Chancellor of the Exchequer had laid down that educational grants should not be cut down in view of the importance of Education to the younger generation. Education was highly important and the Government should think about this aspect of the matter.

Pt. Kunzru's advice to Organisers.

Addressing a conference of scout and Guide leaders at Wenlock Park, Triplicane, last evening, Pandit Hriday Nath Kunzru, National Commissioner, Bharat Scouts and Guides expressed his pleasure at the progress made by the movement in Madras State.

Pandit Kunzru was received on arrival by Mr. K. Venkataswami Naidu the State Chief Commissioner, Bharat Scouts and Guides, Mr. V. S. Hejmadi State Commissioner (Scouts) Mrs. Mary Clubwala, State Commissioner (Guides) and Mr. V. S. Ratnasabhapathy, State Secretary.

Mr. Venkataswami Naidu said it was great pleasure for them to welcome Pandit Kunzru in Madras for the first time after the merger of the Scout organisations. He then gave details of the spread of the movement in the State and said that in Madras State, they had 50,000 Scouts in 25 districts. Most of these were from schools. Thanks to the great enthusiasm of some of their tried scouters and guiders, some good work had been done. There had been some decentralisation effected and Organising Commissioners at Cocanada,

Coimbatore Anantapur and Madurai had been responsible for much activity in their areas. They had, however, only a small grant of Rs. 25,600 from the State while they spent on the whole about Rs. 40,000. More work could be done if only they had a little more money. They wanted more workers now and also to train more persons. They hoped to have more training institutions. A special feature in Madras was the formation of Sea Scouts. They wanted to have a Jamboree this year but had to postpone it and he hoped that very soon they would start on their preparations for one.

Mrs. Mary Clubwala said that in Madras State, since the merge, both the scouts and the guides had been working together very well. In Madras, she said there was perfect liaison between social welfare agencies and the scout movement. The work done by the scouts and guides at the International Social Conference held here in December last had been very much appreciated by Mr. George Haynes and others. She hoped that the Scout Headquarters for India would give favourable consideration to requests from Madras State in the matter of scholarships for scouters and guiders to go abroad.

Headquarters Circular

Renewal of Registration of groups for the year 1953-54.

At a meeting of the State Executive Committee held on 2-5-53 under the presidency of the State Chief Commissioner, Hon'ble Sri K. Venkataswami Naidu at the State Headquarters, it was decided to complete the Renewals of all groups by the 31st August 1953. Groups failing to renew before that date will have to pay an enhanced fee of Rs. 2-8-0 per unit, instead of the usual Rs. 2 per unit. Therefore all the groups are requested to renew before the 31st August 1953.

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Mrs. K. A. Dunbar who was the Headquarters Commissioner (Guides) till recently has instituted a Shield to be presented to the district that completes the renewals (of guide units) first. Similarly the District that completes the renewals (of Scout units) also will be awarded a Shield. These will be rolling Shields.

V. S. RATNASABHAPATHY,

State Secretary.

The Bharat Scouts & Guides, North Malabar, Kozhikode-2.

Under the auspices of the Bharat Scouts & Guides, North Malabar District Association, a Training Camp (Preliminary) for Guide Captains is being run (from 6th to 16th May 1953) at the C. M. C. High School grounds, Elathur. Miss Bakkiamuthu, Headquarters Commissioner Bharat Scouts & Guides, Madras State, is in-charge of the Camp.

The Camp was formally inaugurated by Sri R. Prasad, I.C.S., (Collector of Malabar) President of the Bharat Scouts & Guides North Malabar District Association, at 9 A.M. on 7-5-1953. He hoisted the Scout & Guide Flag.

Mrs. C. H. Chandran, B.A., L.T., District Commissioner (Guides), North Malabar, welcomed the trainees, the Camp Officer and the guests and requested the President to open the Camp. The President declared the Camp open, and said how this District was lagging behind the other Districts in Scouting and Guiding, and how it was rapidly recovering from the lethargy. He hoped that the movement would soon gain new strength and energy and hoped for a bright future for the movement in the District also.

Sri T. K. Venkiteswaran, B.A., L.T., the District Secretary, thanked the audience for their interest in the movement, and Sri M. Cheriakkan, the Manager of the C. M. C. High School, Elathur, Sri M. Govindan, B.A., L.T., Headmaster, and the members of the Staff of the school, for placing the school premises at the disposal of the Camp Committee, and for making every necessary arrangements there for the successful conduct of the Camp. He also thanked Mrs. P.B. Kurup, Sri P.M. Kurup, Mrs. Verghese Mrs. Harjee, the Inspectress of Girls' Schools, VI Circle, the District Board President, and other for the various services rendered for the camp and for being present on the occasion. There was a large gathering.

This is the first Guide Captains' Training Camp held in Malabar. 17 teachers from different schools and one other are attending the Camp.

The visitors' Day will be celebrated on the 16th evening between 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. when some Guide Crafts will be demonstrated, and a Camp Fire held. The Camp will be closed on the 16th night.

"Scoutmasters' Training (Preliminary) Camp, Chovva"

Under the auspices of the Chirakkal Taluk Local Association, a branch of the Bharat Scouts and Guides, North Malabar District Association, a Scoutmasters' Training Camp (Preliminary) was held at Chovva from 21st April 1953 to 2nd May 1953.

There were 25 trainees and they were accommodated in tents and had to cook their own food. The Camp site was in a Palm Grove at Uruvachal (near Chovva) at the foot of the Avera Hills and by the side of the Kanom River. Sri J. I. Muthiah, D. C. C., State Organising Commissioner, was in charge of the Course.

The Camp was opened by Sri S. P. Sreenivasan, I.A.S., (Sub Collector, Tellicherry), President of the Bharat Scouts and Guides, Kottayam Taluk Local Association. Sri K. K. Subba Rao, President of the Chirakkal Taluk Local Association, Sri P. Kunhiraman Nair, B.A., L.T., District Commissioner (Scouts) North Malabar, Sri J. I. Muthiah, D.C.C., State Organising Commissioner, and Sri M. Bhargavan, Joint Secretary, Chirakkal Taluk Local Association, spoke on the occasion.

The Visitors' Day was celebrated between 5 p.m. and 8 p.m. on 1-5-'53. A large audience had gathered on the occasion. Sri K. K. Subba Rao presided. Sri K. K. Subba Rao, Sri M. Bhargavan and Sri J. I. Muthiah spoke about the importance of the movement, and how it trains the young to become useful citizens by inculcating in them the spirit of Service. Sri T. K. Venkiteswaran, B.A., L.T., Secretary of the North Malabar District Association, gave a history of the movement and how it came to India. He gave a clear picture of its development before and after merger. He also spoke about the National, State, District and Local Association, and their relations to one another. He appealed for more public co-operation. There was also a Camp Fire after this.

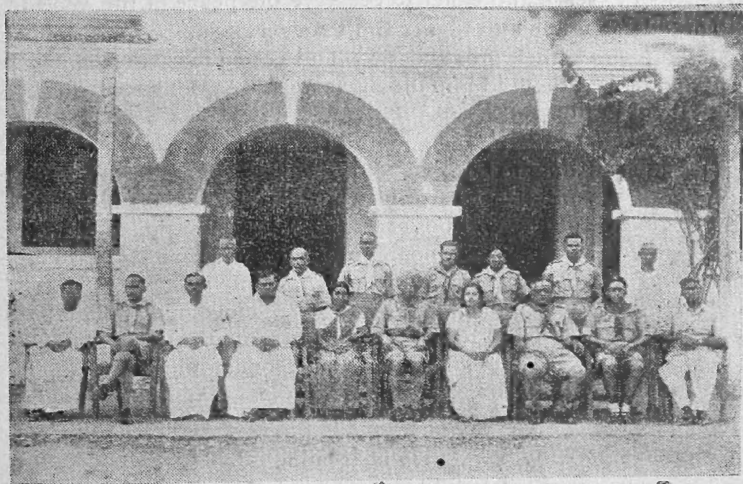
K. VENKITESWARAN,

The Bharat Scouts & Guides.

Krishnagiri Association.

On the occasion of the Board High School Celebrations which came off on 9th March 1953, there was a large gathering of officials and non-officials. So the occasion was availed of by the Headmaster to form the Local Association. The function was presided over by Sri P. T. Venkatachari, B.A., B.L., a leading member of the local bar, and there was added enthusiasm and joy by the presence of the officers of the movement. Sri S.V. Lakshmanan, B.A., B.L., District Commissioner (Scouts) Salem hoisted the Scout flag, and this over Sri V. S. Ratnasabhpathy, B.T., State Secretary gave a lecture on 'Gandhiji and Scouting'. He exhorted the Scouts and others to emulate the spirit of service which Gandhiji gave to the world and thus raise the prestige of our country. Mrs. S N. Vasanth Chatterjee, District Commissioner (Girl Guides) distributed the prizes and appealed to the public to give their support to the Scout movement which inculcates in our Youth many good traits. The function was honoured by the presence of our enthusiastic Dist. Secretary Sri K. Varadarajan, B.A., B.L., In the end Sri E. Shanmugam, B.A., L.T., Headmaster assured the Scout Officers that the Local Association which has been ushered under such good auspices would work with great zeal and enthusiasm and show good record ere long. He thanked them all for their presence that day. Finally, Office-bearers for the year was announced.

KRISHNAGIRI LOCAL ASSOCIATION.



Inaugurated by Sri V. S. Ratnasabhpathy on 9-3-53.

**Commissioner's Training Course, Stanley Park Training Centre
Coonoor, 4th to 10th May 1953.**

The Governor's address

His Excellency the Governor Sri Prakasa addressing the Campers on 10th May 1953 called up Scout and Guide Commissioners undergoing training to strive so as to regulate the life of those around them that a balance was struck between self-respect and respect for others and truth and honesty became the key note of life in Society. 10th was the last day of the camp and the Governor was very pleased to visit and address the Campers. He was delighted to meet representatives of Districts in the State at the Camp. They represented all professions, Law, Business, Teaching, agriculture etc ,

On arrival the Governor was received by Mr. V. S. Hejmadi the State Commissioner and Mr. V. S. Ratnasabhpathy State Secretary. He was accompanied by his brother the Hon'ble Sri Chandra Bhall Chairman of the U.P. Legislative Council.

A Great Movement

The Governor said that Scouts belong to a great movement. They were anxious to serve and eager to preserve the peace of the World.

There is no noble and higher aim than service to people. He congratulated them on their great mission, and hoped that the noble ideals which had moved them to join the movement would always guide and inspire them in their work.

Maintain Peace

He paid a tribute to Lord Baden Powell the founder of the Scout movement and said " this great soul who from the lessons of War turned to the path of peace will be remembered as unique in the history, because only few persons are honoured for what they did for the peace of the world while many are honoured for the success in war. We scarcely hear of peace heroes. The Scout movement's call is to the youth of all lands to band together in maintaining the peace of the world. There is no doubt that all Scouts and Guides when they come to fill the various positions in life will cast all their power, in favour of world peace. Thus in this great movement we see the Seeds of a happy future."

Play in Scouting

" We who are mental children of Mahatma Gandhi must, if we are true to our masters stand for peace." The Governor stressed the

importance of play in the Scout curriculum and observed that India was a country where parents did not know how to amuse their children and play with them. The Scout movement taught the people how to behave towards their children so that their children might regard them as friends and not folks to be dreaded. The Governor next referred to the "Be prepared" ideal of the Scout movement and said that the Scout was At Home everywhere "that is some thing that we in India ought very much to learn, being hopelessly divided into castes and sub-castes and sub-castes. We should learn to be self-respecting and at the same time to be other-respecting. Some of our young men feel that self-respect can only be expressed in insolence, arrogance and rudeness and that persons who are well behaved and courteous are either sycophants or hypocrites." The Scouts keep the balance between self-respect and other-respect.

We all need one another and when we learn this we shed our inherent selfishness with which almost all creatures are born. Sri Sri Prakasa paid a tribute to the trustworthiness of the Scout and Guide and this characteristic of the Scout should be emulated by all people thoroughly putting an end to the present lack of confidence among people.

Mutual Suspicion must go

There was mutual suspicion everywhere and most people did not trust each other. While he was Commerce Minister at the Centre, it broke his heart to find that in the world of Commerce India's name was mud. The materials supplied later on would not be the same as the sample sent at the beginning. "I hope you will be able so to regulate the affairs of the people with whom you come into contact, that they will be true to the world".

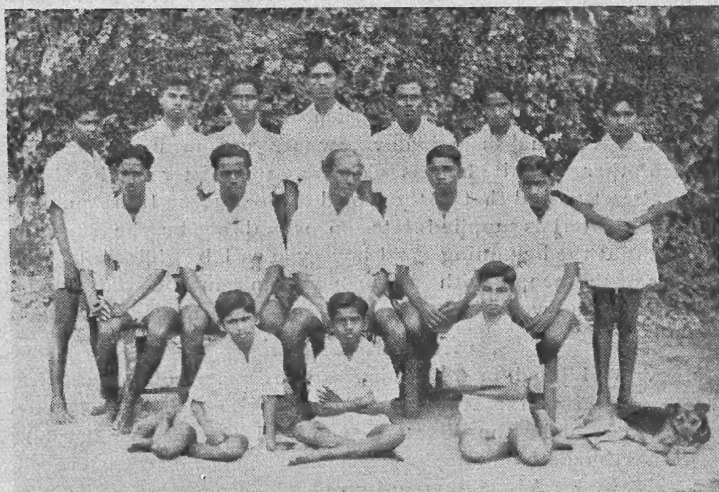
Offer active Leadership

Mr. V. S. Hejmadi in welcoming the Governor said it was an inspiration to have him with us at the first Training Course for Scout and Guide Commissioners under the Bharat Scouts and Guides Association. Mr. V.S. Ratnasabhpathy, State Secretary, explained the activities of Bharat Scouts and Guides Association and said that there were 53,000 Scouts including 8,000 Guides on the rolls. He detailed the work undertaken in the camp and complemented the Campers for their brotherly and sisterly spirit throughout the course and hoped that as a result of this course many districts will get benefitted by the active leadership that will be offered by the workers attending the course.

Mr. V. S. Ratnasabhapathy also thanked Mr. N. R. Bojarajulu Naidu District Commissioner, Miss Hensman, District Commissioner (Guides) Mr. H. C. M. McLaughlin President of the Nilgiris Association and Sri V. P. Ramaswamy, the energetic Secretary for their help to run this camp. A display of games, Cooking, Singing and pioneering was given by the Campers under the direction of Sri J. I. Muthiah, Deputy Camp Chief, and Miss G. Samuel Headquarters Commissioner (Guides) for Training, Miss Samuel thanked the Governor and his brother for their presence.

With the singing of Janaganamana the Camp broke up. 25 men. and 12 women representing 17 Districts attended the Course. A detailed report of the Camp will be published in our next issue.

OUR NEW SEA SCOUT TROOP.



For Fisher Lads.

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